

that we know in our soul we ought to perform? Do we never make errands for ourselves as excuses for not doing the errands that God has assigned to us? Well, that was what Jonah did—he made believe that business called him to Spain, to get clear of going to Ninevah. Think it out and apply honestly where the application most concerns you.—*Sel.*

The Mission Field

MISSIONARY READING CIRCLE

COURSE OF READING

First Year	Cloth	Paper
1. Crisis of Missions—(Pierson.)	\$1 06	29
2. Armenian Ampitheater.		09
3. Do Not Say.		09
4. Our Country.	51	25
5. Life of Sammy Morris.		10
6. Choice Extracts—(Meyer.)		05
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The books, together with other literature, such as circulars giving full particulars how and why to organize and read, description of books, etc., can be had by addressing Rev. C. F. Yoder, Warsaw, Ind. Circles should be organized in every congregation.

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OUR CHICAGO LETTER

PEOPLE WHO HELP

We acknowledge the receipt of goods, from Salisbury, Pa., Wayne, Kans., Mt. Union, South Bend, Ind., Twelve Mile church, Ind. Several of these were at Christmas and were overlooked in our report. All were prepaid. The sisters at South Bend sent us \$2.50 toward expenses, which helped toward some who failed. The barrel from Salisbury, Pa., came in today, Feb. 12, long on the way but appreciated. A belated barrel came in from Warsaw also: all of this help is appreciated much. One brother said we would drain the church. Well, I guess not, the church can stand it, and until they kick, no need of others doing so, none but the "fat" ones kick anyway, but seriously there is no compulsion about this work, it is only free offerings we ask for in this line, none others need apply, so when you feel like sending in a box or barrel, send it on, there is a felt blessing in the work not found elsewhere, and I trust Washington and Dayton will get all the help needed, and all other mission points.

THE NORTH SIDE

I promised to say something about this work. As already stated it was a work started through a call that come to us first in

tent then in a room. The man who was here wanted ordination and I refused because of good reasons. He tried to break the work up but failed, and it is now going on to perfection. We have a Sunday-school of about a hundred, it is growing now, and doing good work. We have about a dozen members that can be depended on for good solid work, the members are poor but consecrated, not waiting for something to turn up, but are trying to turn up something. In less than two months they have raised over \$30, for all the work done before that we have a record of \$4 25. This kind of work must be done in a city like this. Such a work is a feeder to the church. Soon as summer comes we will go into the tent, and in that work will run so as to do enough to go through the next winter. The mission is called "Chicago Rescue Mission," and any one wanting to help good rescue work can no doubt have the privilege. I will or Brother Morton or Brother Keim will keep you posted in regard to the work.

CHARITY AT HOME

"In a great city renowned for its intelligence and its progress, its enlightenment and its big-heartedness, its millionaires and its charities, a woman starved to death last night, and her helpless husband was found with life nearly extinct. On Sangamon street, in Chicago, an aged couple, too old and decrepid to work, have been left in a perishing condition for want of food, while the Christian preachers of Chicago have been calling for contributions to convert the happy heathen of the south seas or to relieve famine in foreign lands.

When people who can not work are allowed to die in Chicago, something is wrong with Chicago.

There are splendid charitable organizations in this city. They do a great deal of intelligent work. But they are often hampered for lack of funds. They can not perfect organizations that shall reach all the destitute because they have not the money.

The city is well patrolled against crime, but it is not equally well patrolled against helpless poverty, and it can not be unless its citizens are willing to contribute more to the funds of the charitable organizations.

Too much charity is exported and too little kept for home consumption. There is too much relief for foreigners in proportion to the amount for neighbors. There is too much care for the heathen and not enough for Americans.

There should be a patrol against helpless poverty as efficient as the patrol against crime. That should not be a hard thing to effect. Poverty is more easily detected than crime. The organized charities of the city should have no more trouble getting money for their purpose than the police department. When this condition is established it will be time to help the heathen.

The above is from the Journal of this city. It expresses my sentiments, and I say Amen.

PEOPLE WHO PASS

Brother Urie from South Bend spent an hour with us and his visit was enjoyed. Sister Baker on her way from Arz., to Ohio, gave us a nice visit. Brother Puterbaugh and Denney from Lanark, spent an evening with us and we had a delightful time. Brother Dan Herrington called for a little while, but I was on the North Side and failed to see him. We looked for him at prayer-meeting, but he failed to come, and trust he will try it again. Sister Mary Lichty from Waterloo, Iowa, paid us a visit and helped us by her genial presence and practical help. Sister Lizzie Hilderbrand, who is attending the Moody Institute, comes in now and then, and we are always glad to see her. She is doing good work and is fitting herself for future usefulness. Brother Sam Hoover and wife remained with us a night or two. This couple have recently started to walk life's path together, and we wish them more than the average success. Brother Bert Lichty and sister Minnie Heimbaugh also made pleasant calls. We are always glad to see our friends, and bid them God speed in their journeys.

SOUTH BEND AND FAIRVIEW

I recently spent Sunday with these friends of the Mission, preaching at Fairview in the morning, and South Bend at night. Good congregations at both places, and attentive hearers to rather poor preaching. The visit took me out of the "hurly burly," and rested me much. Brother Wm. Furry is pastor of both churches and is going on to continued success. There is no harder worker in the church than Brother Furry, and any church might be congratulated on having such a scholar and gentleman in her border. Brother Furry is capable of a professorship in more than the usual college or university, and need not preach for a living, but he does preach for the love of souls. I pray for his peace and prosperity. I met here Brother Augustine and the Frame family, and a host of others whose names I would like to mention, and may on another occasion. I made my home at my regular stopping place, brother Wm. Augustine, who finds much pleasure in the company of his bright young grandson. I had a good rest and came home refreshed. Brother Ullery, I found still attentive to the word. I also met Brother Paine of Glenford, Ohio.

Brother Cassell reported over eighty dollars being paid direct to me in January, when as a matter of fact only a little over forty dollars was paid to me direct. The twenty five dollars received from the Board was received on Feb. 1, hence I credit it to Feb. All the money received by me from all sources in Jan. was as stated above a little over forty dollars. I presume my report has been mixed with some other.

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